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## CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of International Application No. PCT/FR02/01836, filed May 31, 2002, which is based upon and claims priority from prior French Patent Application No. 01-07446, filed June 7, 2001. The entire disclosures of these prior applications are herein incorporated by reference.

Additionally, this application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_ (Attorney Docket No. 01-MEY-053 DIV), filed December 3, 2003, now \_\_\_\_, which is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/542,681, filed April 3, 2000, now \_\_\_\_. The entire disclosures of these prior applications are herein incorporated by reference.

## **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

Please add the following <u>new</u> paragraph before page 2, line 27. SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

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